IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION

| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |) | CR 11-48-M-DWM |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
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| VS. |) | ORDER |
| BYRON WALTER PETZ, |) | |
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| Defendant. |) | |
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United States Magistrate Judge Jeremiah C. Lynch entered Findings and Recommendation in this matter on January 4, 2012. Neither party objected and therefore they are not entitled to <u>de novo</u> review of the record. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); <u>United States v. Reyna-Tapia</u>, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003). This Court will review the Findings and Recommendation for clear error.

McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc., 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a "definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." <u>United States v. Syrax</u>, 235 F.3d

422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000).

Judge Lynch recommended this Court accept Byron Walter Petz's guilty plea after Petz appeared before him pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, and entered his plea of guilty to one count of felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1) as set forth in the Indictment.

I find no clear error in Judge Lynch's Findings and Recommendation (dkt # 23), and I adopt them in full, including the recommendation to defer acceptance of the plea until sentencing when the Court will have reviewed the Presentence Investigation Report.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Byron Walter Petz's motion to change plea (dkt # 18) is GRANTED.

DATED this 25th day of January, 2012.

DONALD W. MOLLDY, DISTRICT JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT